

REMARKS

[0006] Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims of the application. Claims 1-3, 5-26, 34-38, 40-42, 45 and 46 are presently pending. Claims 11, 12, 40-42 and 45-46 are amended herein.

Formal Request for an Interview

[0007] If the Examiner's reply to this communication is anything other than allowance of all pending claims and the only issues that remain are minor or formal matters, then I formally request an interview with the Examiner. I encourage the Examiner to call me—the undersigned representative for the Applicant—so that we can talk about this matter so as to resolve any outstanding issues quickly and efficiently over the phone.

[0008] Please contact me to schedule a date and time for a telephone interview that is most convenient for both of us. While email works great for me, I welcome your call as well. My contact information may be found on the last page of this response.

Allowable Subject Matter

[0009] Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for allowing claims 1-3, 5-26 and 34-38. Claims 1-3, 5-10, 13-26, and 34-38 have not been amended herein, and therefore remain allowable. Claims 11 and 12 are amended to overcome the pending rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101, and the allowable subject matter in claims 11 and 12 remain unchanged.

Claim Amendments

[0010] Without conceding the propriety of the rejections herein and in the interest of expediting prosecution, Applicant amends claims 11, 12, 40-42 and 45-46 herein. These amendments are fully supported by the Application. Accordingly, no new matter will be added by the paper. Entry to the file is respectfully requested.

Substantive Matters

Claim Rejections under § 101

[0011] Claims 40-42, 45 and 46 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. Furthermore, in light of the amendments presented herein, Applicant submits that these rejections are moot. Accordingly, Applicant asks the Examiner to withdraw these rejections.

[0012] If the Examiner maintains the rejection of these claims, then Applicant requests additional guidance as to what is necessary to overcome the rejection.

Conclusion

[0013] All pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the application. If any issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the **Examiner is urged to contact me before issuing a subsequent Action.** Please call or email me at your convenience.

Respectfully Submitted,

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